

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

James Lee Weaver, Jr.,)	Civil Action No. 1:12-3573-MGL
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Plaintiff,)	
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v.)	
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Tim Rolly,)	<u>OPINION AND ORDER</u>
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Defendant.)	
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Plaintiff James Lee Weaver, Jr. ("Plaintiff"), proceeding *pro se*, brought this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (ECF No. 1.) This matter is now before the Court upon the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation filed on September 27, 2013, recommending this case be dismissed *with prejudice* pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on the grounds that Plaintiff failed to prosecute the case. (ECF No. 37.) More specifically, Plaintiff failed to comply with this Court's orders of August 1, 2013 (ECF No. 33), and September 9, 2013 (ECF No. 35), directing Plaintiff to respond to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment filed on July 31, 2013. (ECF No. 32.) Plaintiff failed to respond to the orders to provide a response to the Motion for Summary Judgment.

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local Rule 73.02, D.S.C., this matter was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Shiva V. Hodges for pretrial handling. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility for making a final determination remains with this Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270, 96 S.Ct. 549, 46 L.Ed.2d 483 (1976). The Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the Report and Recommendation or may recommit the matter to the Magistrate Judge with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). The Court is charged with making a *de novo*

determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which specific objections are made. Plaintiff was advised of his right to file objections to the Report and Recommendation. (ECF No. 37 at 3.) However, he has not done so and objections were due on October 15, 2013. In the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a *de novo* review, but instead must “only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.” *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005).

After a careful review of the record, the applicable law, and the Report and Recommendation, the court finds the Magistrate Judge’s recommendation to be proper. Accordingly, the Report and Recommendation is incorporated herein by reference and this action is DISMISSED with prejudice pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for failure to prosecute.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/Mary G. Lewis
United States District Judge

Spartanburg, South Carolina
October 30, 2013